

Ming Is The In Thing

Owners of Oriental-appearing vases have been wondering about the origins of their curios after a Niles woman said she had been offered \$63,000 for a vase if it could be authenticated as a treasure from the 15th century Ming Dynasty. However, an official of the Chicago Art institute said examination of photographs of the vase indicated it was a souvenir from the 1893 Columbian Exposition in Chicago. Meanwhile, attics and basements in some homes are getting careful searches—just in case.



ANOTHER POSSIBILITY: Another entry in the field of possible Ming Dynasty vases is displayed by Mrs. Josephine Wyman, of 1094 Jennings avenue, Benton Harbor. Mrs. Wyman said she has had the vase for 18 or 19 years. It was a gift from her brother in Detroit. (Staff photo)



LOOK ALIKE: Mrs. Joe Gagliardo of South Shore drive, Paw Paw lake, holds vase she has owned for 35 years and observed that it bears resemblance to picture of one at Niles. Mrs. Gagliardo said she also owns another similar vase. Both were given to her by a brother, who received it as gift while working in Chicago apartment house as a custodian. (Marion Leedy photo)

Niles Man Killed In Car-Truck Smashup

SOUTH BEND — A Niles man was killed Friday afternoon when the car he was driving crashed head-on into a truck on Auten road near Laurel road, 3½ miles north of South Bend, according to St. Joseph county, Ind., sheriff's deputies.

Deputies said the victim was James Robert Dawson, 57, of 2122 South Third street, Niles.

The driver of the truck, Thurston McKelvey, 47, of South Bend, told deputies he was westbound on Auten road when

he saw the Dawson car, in the opposite lane, skid across the road and swerve into the westbound lane. McKelvey told police the other driver applied his brakes and tried to swerve out of the way but slid on the icy pavement and hit the truck head-on. The truck is owned by Express Freight Lines in South Bend. McKelvey was not hurt.

Dawson is survived by his wife, Minnie. Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Pifer funeral home in Niles.

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IS COURT LOCATION LEGAL? -- MIGHT NOT BE, JUDGE THINKS

Westfield Returns To Post Office

After 23 Year Absence He's Boss

By TOM BRUNDRETT
Staff Writer

George Westfield went to work for the Benton Harbor post office for the first time in 1945 as a mailroom employee and then quit six months later to go onto college.

Friday, after a 23-year absence, he returned to be sworn in to the \$11,400-a-year job as acting postmaster.

Despite the threat of a short tenure, Westfield said, "I feel very excited about this. It will certainly be a new challenge for me. This opportunity to serve the citizens of Benton Harbor is quite an honor. It comes to very few people in a lifetime."

POLITICAL CLOUD

A cloud over the appointment stems from the Jan. 20 change-over from Democratic to Republican administrations in Washington D.C. The party in power controls postmaster appointments and Westfield is a member of the party going out.

Upon being nominated for the position in December, Westfield was optimistic about his chances for support from Republicans. He has not changed his mind. But spokesmen for the GOP so far doubt they can go along.

Named one of the five outstanding young men in the state in 1961 by the state Jaycees, Westfield said of the swearing in that only twice before had he been as nervous—when he was baptized and when he was married.

The oath was administered by Postal Inspector R.A. Weidauer who lives in Kalamazoo and works out of the Chicago branch of the Post Office department. It took four minutes to go through the page-long document.

Westfield's wife, Magnolia, and their daughter Crishondra Lae, 10, were among the spectators. Others included Mrs. Delores Bergstrom, assistant Benton Harbor postmaster for 33 years; Berrien Probate Judge Ronald Lange, Circuit Judge Chester Byrns, St. Joseph banker John Stubblefield, Mayor Wilbert Smith, and Tat Parish, chairman of the county Democratic party.

The ceremony was held in the office of the late postmaster James Bowen in the post office on Territorial road. Bowen died last month.

Westfield said that when he first went to work for the post office after graduating from Benton Harbor high school his initial experience was as a guard.

"The man in charge gave me a .45 caliber automatic and told me to go to the station and guard the mail delivery," Westfield said. "I learned later that the shipment involved about \$250,000."

Westfield, for 12 years employed in the juvenile probation section of the probate court, said he had applied for a one year's leave of absence to return to the post office. He is 41.

If the acting status goes longer, said Westfield, he would seek an extension.

The request is to be submitted by Judge Lange to the pension board of county employees.

HIS VERY BEST

The new acting postmaster said he would be at the post office early today to start learning his duties. He first regular day will be Monday.

Mrs. Westfield, said after her husband took the oath, "I'm very happy about this. I know George will do his very best. He always does."

The Westfields' daughter, Crishondra, smiled. Their son, Gary, 12, was absent. He was practicing basketball at the junior high school. Westfield's mother, Mrs. Gertrude Westfield, was delayed in traffic and arrived just after the actual swearing-in ceremony occurred.

Active in civic and political



ASSUMES POSTMASTERSHIP: George Westfield stands with his wife, Magnolia and their daughter Crishondra at his swearing in ceremony Friday. Doing the honors is Postal Inspector R. A. Weidauer, of the Chicago branch of the Post Office

department. Westfield will take a year's leave of absence from the Berrien County probate court juvenile office to assume the duties of acting postmaster. The ceremonies were held in the Benton Harbor post office. (Staff photo)

Snowmobile Hits Car; Man Killed

SAUGATUCK — Allegan county's first traffic fatality of the year was recorded this morning when a Holland man died of injuries he received last night in a snowmobile-car accident just north of Saugatuck.

Allegan county sheriff's deputies also said the death of Randall T. Pires, 29, of Holland,

was the first fatal accident involving a snowmobile in the county.

Deputies said at 6:20 p.m. Friday night a snowmobile driven by Cornelius R. Start, 27, of Holland,

was traveling on the shoulder along Blue Star Memorial highway when it hit a pile of snow and flipped onto the road hitting a car. The car was driven by Cvetko Milenovic, 62, of 127th street, Fremont, and was traveling south at the time of the accident.

Pires was a passenger on the snowmobile. He was taken to the Community hospital at Douglas and transferred to Holland hospital in critical condition with severe head and chest injuries. He died at 6:30 a.m. today. There were no other injuries.

Deputies said a second car was involved in the accident, but that it is not known how it was involved. They said the second car stopped, and then left the scene. Deputies said they would like to have the other driver's assistance in the investigation of the accident.

Funeral arrangements for Randall Pires are being handled by the Mulders funeral home in Holland.

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AT ROSS FIELD Private Control Tower Studied As Possibility

The Twin Cities Airport board is expected to take a look at the possibilities offered by a privately-operated, temporary control tower facility to direct mounting air traffic at Ross field until the federal government can establish a permanent tower.

Airport Manager Edward Weisbruch said Board Chairman John Banyon instructed him to invite an Ohio firm to describe its control tower plan at the Jan. 23 board meeting.

Weisbruch explained that while Ross field has exceeded

Federal Aviation Administration requirements for a government control tower operation for some time already, "the soonest we can expect a tower from the FAA would be about three years."

FAA's shortage of funds to open new towers is the reason, he added.

He explained if a private tower were installed there is the fear the FAA might bypass Ross field with a government tower when it does get funds to put one in.

According to Weisbruch, the local airport is 17th on the FAA's list for a tower now, but three years is the earliest a government tower could be financed through contributions.

Weisbruch said the airport board has some concern about a possible adverse effect of a private tower, even if it could be financed initially.

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The airport manager said the board has asked the FAA if it

would staff a private tower with

government controllers if the board would buy the trailer "tower". It was advised the FAA didn't have funds or personnel to send controllers here now.

The airport at Gary, Ind., currently is installing the entire package of trailer and operating personnel offered by the Ohio firm.

There are several other district courts in the state, including Kalamazoo county, where a district court that does not embrace a county seat has set up court in the county courthouse.

Presiding Judge Hammond of the Fifth district opened a courtroom in the courthouse on the strength of a state attorney general ruling that a second class district not covering a county seat may nevertheless hold court in the courthouse.

Berrien Prosecutor Taylor, who oddly enough will fight Judge Pollard's adverse ruling in the appeal move, earlier had cited another attorney general ruling to the effect the Fifth court could not hear cases outside its boundaries.

The Fifth district embraces all of Berrien county except the Cities of St. Joseph and Benton Harbor.

Taylor, who noted that he will have to argue the opposite of what he feels on the issue, said he will ask the Berrien circuit judges for an emergency ruling on the appeal. He suggested an answer might be forthcoming in a week or 10 days.

Judge Pollard withheld the effect of his motion until the circuit court rules on Taylor's appeal.

Pollard's ruling came in the arraignment of Elmer Rose, Coloma, Friday afternoon. Rose's court-appointed attorney, Stuart F. Meek, Jr., moved for dismissal on the grounds of lack of jurisdiction.

LAW CITED

In granting the motion, Judge Pollard cited a section in the new state courts reorganization act that "venue in criminal actions for violations of state law . . . shall be in the district where the violation took place."

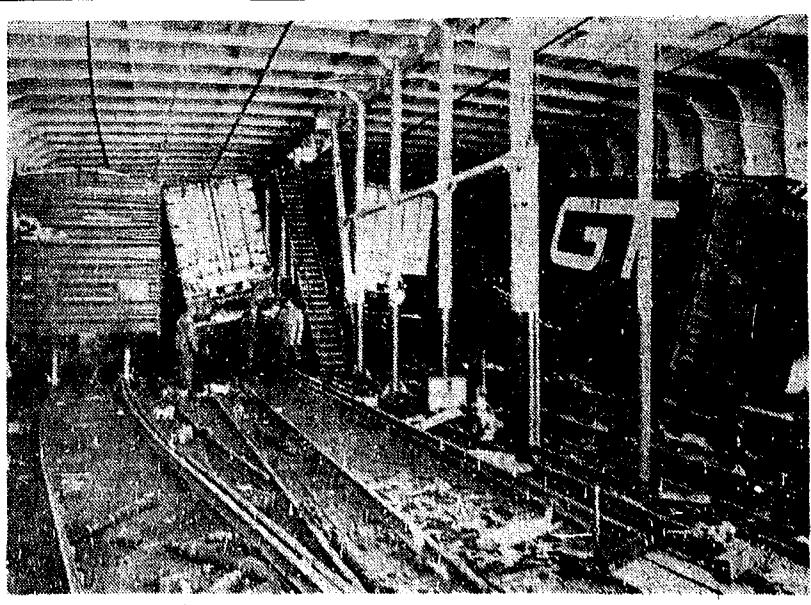
He noted, too, there is no specific provision in the act for the court to sit outside the

district.

Prosecutor Taylor had cited a section of the new act which grants district judges the same powers and jurisdiction justices of the peace had. He argued justices of the peace had power to sit outside their districts and that the new act thus passed the same power to district judges.

Man's Frozen Body Found

HASTINGS (AP) — The frozen body of Oliver Wendell Pritchard, 57, Rt. 1, Hastings, was discovered Friday about one-half mile from his home. Police theorized that Pritchard attempted to walk home after his car became snowbound and suffered a heart attack.



ROUGH TRIP: The carferry Madison was back safely in port at Milwaukee Friday after a rough 21 hours on Lake Michigan, and this was the scene inside. Its destination was Muskegon, Mich., but thick ice forced it to return to Milwaukee. (AP Wirephoto)

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Editorial Page

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New Governor To Be His Own Man

The State of the State message handed to the legislature Thursday by William G. Milliken, the incoming Governor, is a better index of the man himself than his detailed opinion of what Michigan faces up to in the next few years ahead.

His comparatively brief speech touched on what he feels are major considerations.

He stated them in a broad outline, leaving the audience to guess as to when and to what extent he will present the details.

The approach pleased the audience, the least charitable comment being that the Governor-to-be soon must forsake generalities and get down to hard facts.

The principal area covered by Milliken came in this form:

A warning this is not the year for anyone to present high spending schemes unless he is first willing to risk citizen wrath in higher taxes to fund the undertaking. His budget, he added, might be somewhat fatter than the 1968-69 model, but balanced.

The natural resources bond issue approved to the tune of \$435 million in last year's election will not be dissipated in pork barrel projects. Milliken did not define his conception of pork barrel, but presumably implied he will not countenance local interests picking away at the money in gravel train fashion.

Law enforcement must be stepped up and the same time be relieved of the good guys vs. the bad guys type of thinking which traditionally had enfolded this subject.

Urban affairs will occupy much of his time and thinking.

Plight Of The Aged

Everyone is familiar with that generation gap usually referred to in which the generations supposedly are so far apart in viewpoint that they do not recognize one another as inhabitants of the same planet.

There is another generation gap, a big one, which may be considerably more important.

That is the offhand manner in which the United States treats its older inhabitants. Some observers have tried to cushion the blow by referring to this group as "senior citizens," but whatever the appellation, the older people in the United States are not getting an even break.

There is a smugness on the part of some people in shrugging off people living on social security or other retirement, which insinuates these people have been taken care of and have no further problems. Some retirement plans do provide for a comfortable income after gainful employment has ceased, but not all by any means.

Social security is one which does not, and in fact was intended as no more than a helping hand. Adding injury to insult is the fact persons on Social Security are not permitted to earn more than a token income from other sources before they forfeit the Social Security retirement they paid into for many years during their careers.

As if that is not slapping down the older folks quite hard enough, it is next to impossible for someone in his sixties or seventies, no matter how healthy, talented or able, to find any kind of regular employment.

Maybe this generation gap just sort of happened, and really wasn't planned that way; but, then, nobody seems to be doing anything about it, either.

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This is a clear reference to the hornet's nest of problems besetting Detroit and other major population centers. In reminding his listeners that a man living in a remote area "can not sit smugly by, in tranquility, while the cities sink in despair," Milliken truck deeply at the rural and suburban apathy which in in large measure fertilizes the seed beds of discontent in crowded communities.

This comment is all the more remarkable when viewed against his background. Traverse City, his home town, by location and population mix, is about as far removed from urban blight as Barry Goldwater is from the SDS or the ADA.

Preceding Governors in recent years have touched on these problems and two of them were particular pets of Romney. These were natural resources and urban affairs.

Milliken, however, gave them a different treatment.

His predecessors stated the questions in pinpointed recommendations.

Milliken's approach is to remind his audience the problems are still with us but let's examine them more fully before dashing off on some Quixotic solution.

It is on another point, the one he discussed first in the greatest length, where Milliken let it be known he intends to fashion a sail from cloth of his own choosing.

He repudiated Romney's swan song message of Monday that conceivably one way to unravel the educational snarl is to put the parochial school system on a sink or swim basis.

The outgoing Governor said three days later that when he suggested the parochial schools should concentrate on religious subjects first and then decide if they could also afford secular education, he did not use "concentrate" to imply abandonment of the latter.

Milliken, very smartly, shied from any semantical dissertation to state his position that Lansing's posture on education essentially is one of money.

State aid for parochial schools, in his opinion, is simply one part of the total search for elusive dollars.

If such assistance can be squeezed into the budget, that's fine. If it can not be found at once, then continue the search in the next budget wrestling match. Do not, however, discard the position out of hand, he urges, because the private system does serve a worthwhile purpose.

Milliken did not put it openly, but we read his remarks to mean he thinks the entire educational breadbasket is lopsided at one end and full of holes at the other.

In this respect, he repeats Romney's thinking that the public tax dollar is spent unevenly and irrationally for education. Specifically, he focused attention again on the state aid formula and the anomaly of some school districts rich in valuation and low on kids, and others in the reverse situation.

The issue of parochial (public assistance for private schools) is in somewhat the same boat since some parishes parallel this public school district disparity.

Milliken was careful not to step into the parochial controversy as Romney did, but if we interpret his view on public school financing to be a problem in averaging out dollars with pupils, then logically, the extension can be taken with parochial.

All told, Milliken did a good job on his State of the State message.

In recent years, State and State of the Union deliveries have become a lengthy, detailed delivery promising something to everyone.

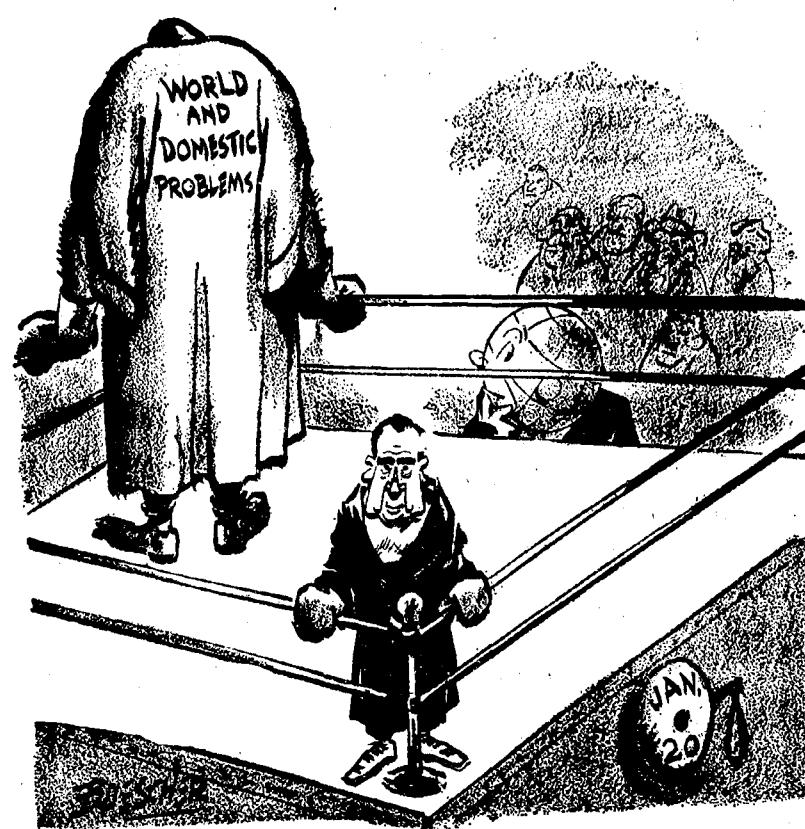
But not omitting anything or anyone, the speaker cynically fashions a message he hopes will be remembered come the next election.

Supposedly this is good political fodder in spite of the fact of the public memory being notoriously short.

Milliken decided to stick with the essentials which will be with us for a long time to come.

Liverpool, England, has reduced its crime rate by installing television cameras to watch streets in troubled areas.

Waiting For The Bell



GLANCING BACKWARDS

MULTIPLE LISTING CITIES BIG YEAR

—1 Year Ago—
The Twin City Multiple Listing System celebrated banner 1867 at a dinner at Win Shuler's.

Accomplishments reported to the membership by Walter Stephan, president, included the purchase of a building at 421 Court street, St. Joseph, which was extensively remodeled to be used as an office and the addition of seven new members with 39 salespeople.

SHIP'S BOILER FOUND IN LAKE

—10 Years Ago—
A clue to the exact location of the ill-fated Chicora which sank in a raging blizzard on its way to St. Joseph from Milwaukee in 1895, may have been accidentally uncovered recently by two South Haven skin divers.

Floyd Drake and Ron Nelson, members of the Sea Lions, a skin diving club in South Haven, found a huge ship's boiler, eight feet in diameter, partly buried in sand at the bottom of Lake Michigan two miles south of South Haven. The discovery was made last August but revealed at this time.

POLES OFFERED NEW BOUNDARY

—25 Years Ago—
A clear warning that the Russians will not yield the Ukrainian and White Russian territories incorporated into the Soviet Union in 1939 came today from the Soviet government, which at the same time reaffirmed its desire for a strong, independent Poland to be rebuilt with areas wrested from

YOUTH'S FUTURE

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DID YOU KNOW...

The so-called flying fish have no wings, but do have large fins.

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For many years there was a doubt about the year of Alexander Hamilton's birth, but

Germany, assuring her an outlet to the Baltic sea.

In a n official declaration broadcast by the Moscow radio, the Russians offered the "Curzon line" of 1919 as a basis for a new Russian-Polish border, a line which would leave the U.S.S.R. in possession of all but 3,800 square miles of the Polish territory the Red army occupied under the 1939 Soviet-German partition of Poland.

OLD QUESTION

—35 Years Ago—
The old question of Berrien county constructing its own tuberculosis sanitarium was back before the county board of supervisors today.

RUSSIAN MUSIC

—45 Years Ago—
Monday Musical club members

bers, nothing daunted by the inclement weather, heard and were charmed by a program of Russian music. It was a Tschaikovsky program given in the auditorium of the Benton Harbor Congregational church.

ATTEND REVIVAL

—35 Years Ago—
Each evening brings large crowds from Berrien Springs to this city to attend revival meetings in the tabernacle. The Stephens party made hundreds of friends in that village and vicinity during several weeks' stay there last fall.

TOP STUDENTS

—77 Years Ago—
The high school honors of the year 1892 went to Bessie Donaldson, valedictorian and Cora Kissinger, salutatorian.

RUTH RAMSEY

Today's Grab Bag

THE ANSWER QUICK!

1. What nation made dancing part of their regular military training?

2. What type of dance is associated with the name of Percy Grainger?

3. Give another name for this flower: digitalis.

4. Who was known as the "Dickens of French painting"?

5. Who composed the music of "Onward, Christian Soldiers"?

IT'S BEEN SAID

The change of war is equal and the slayer oft is slain. — Homer.

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there never has been any doubt about his place in the history of America.

The year of his birth, long thought to have been 1757, now seemingly has been established by probate court records as 1755. He was born in the British colony of Nevis, in the Leeward Islands of the British West Indies.

At 17, his mother died and his father being away, he was sent to New York by relatives and entered King's College (now Columbia) in 1774. In college he brought attention to himself by his advocacy of the patriot cause. As the revolutionary movement gained headway, "he was borne into its full current."

He served under General George Washington on Long Island, Trenton and Princeton. General Washington made him his confidential secretary and in this capacity he used his "true weapon, the pen."

From the first, Hamilton insisted that democracy should have a highly centralized authority, with power for every exigency. He early proposed a constitutional convention that would organize the formation of such a government as he felt necessary.

After the war, he helped organize the bank of New York and served briefly in Congress. His essays, known as "The Federalist," did much to clarify the meaning of the proposed Constitution.

Because Robert Morris proved unavailable in 1789, Hamilton was appointed secretary of the Treasury, a position which represented the climax of his career.

Hamilton was killed in a duel with Aaron Burr July 12, 1804.

Others born today include Eva La Gallienne and William James.

Born on Jan. 12 were John Hancock, John Slinger Sargent.

IT HAPPENED TODAY

On Jan. 12, 1773 the first element in the American Revolution was announced.

HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?

1. Sparta in ancient Greece.

2. Virginia reel.

3. Foxglove.

4. Honore Daumier.

5. Sir Arthur Sullivan.

SIGN BOARD:

Outside a snack bar at the edge of the Mojave Desert:

DR. COLEMAN

..And Speaking Of Your Health

An important side light on the problem of persistent bed-wetting was reported by a Canadian physician. Enuresis is the technical term for bed-wetting, the causes of which are many. Rarely is there an anatomical reason why children persist in bed-wetting.

Before any treatment is attempted, this must be completely ruled out by a general examination and X-rays of the urinary tract.

Undoubtedly, the most common cause for this condition is some kind of psychological disturbance, anxiety, or the result of too early and too much pressure by the parents to become "dry." It is astonishing how subtle are the reasons that make a growing child find emotional security by returning to the bed-wetting of their infancy. A new baby in the home, with the sibling rivalry that accompanies it, is a frequent reason.

Gadgets, electronic devices and sounds that wake a child at regular intervals have all been tried with moderate success. Too great anxiety by the parents to break the habit frequently reflects on the child and exaggerates bed-wetting.

Dr. John W. Gerrard at the University of Saskatchewan, came to an interesting conclusion that bed-wetting may be caused by a food allergy. He has, in twenty-five cases, restricted the diets of both boys and girls and was remarkably enthusiastic about the improvement of this condition.

I have reported in these columns excellent results with a drug, imipramine. Dr. Gerrard has used this drug, in addition to tracking down food allergies, and finds that he is able to avoid protracted treatment when both of these approaches are used.

Aspirin is accepted as a

remarkable drug and is probably used with greater consistency than any other drug for simple uncomplicated problems. It is with great respect for its value, that I write about the

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BERRIEN PONDERING FOOD INSPECTION FEES

Jail Will Finally Use New Trays

Sheriff Jewell Settles Tempest In Food Pot
By TOM BRUNDRETT Staff Writer

New divided food trays for prisoners in the Berrien county jail in St. Joseph are gathering dust.

The 300 stainless steel trays, especially made to fit a smaller-than-normal opening in cell doors, are boxed and stacked in the basement of the jail — unused since arriving in October, 1967.

Sheriff Forrest (Nick) Jewell, who took office Jan. 1, said he plans on getting the trays into use as soon as he can, but first he said he must ask the reorganized county board of supervisors for heated serving carts to carry them.

BOUGHT UNDER PROTEST

The trays were bought by the county under protest to replace undivided bread pan-type containers which have been used for years. The old containers were ordered out by state jail inspector Robert Russell.

The inspector in a surprise visit to the jail in December, 1968, said the old type container allowed the food to mix together and become unappetizing in appearance.

If the food is unappetizing, the prisoners' morale is low, said Russell. They become more discontented.

At the same time, the inspector criticized the lack of heated carts to assure the food is hot when served. But he stopped short of saying the trays could not be used without new carts too.

Because of Russell's visit, three new matrons were hired to increase care of female prisoners and the trays ordered. The trays, with special rounding of the edges to make them narrow enough to fit through the cell door openings, were purchased in August, 1967 for \$1,655.

Supervisors such as Ivan Price of Buchanan township and A. Sheridan Cook of Niles labelled the trays dangerous. Cook said the trays could be used as weapon by a prisoner and because of their weight could be lethal.

Price was chairman of the old board's key finance committee. Cook, who is now a member of the new board, was second-in-command of the same committee.

Despite the warnings, the trays were ordered in a 42-2 vote. They are seven by 14½ inches.

Former Sheriff Henry Giese blamed the non-use of the trays on the old finance committee.

"I asked them to buy three heated carts," said Giese now a bailiff in the county's new third circuit judgeship. "But they wouldn't. They told me to send the inspector to them if he came back and questioned the non-compliance."

Giese said the present carts in the jail could not be used with the trays. They won't fit, he commented.

MORALE BOOSTER

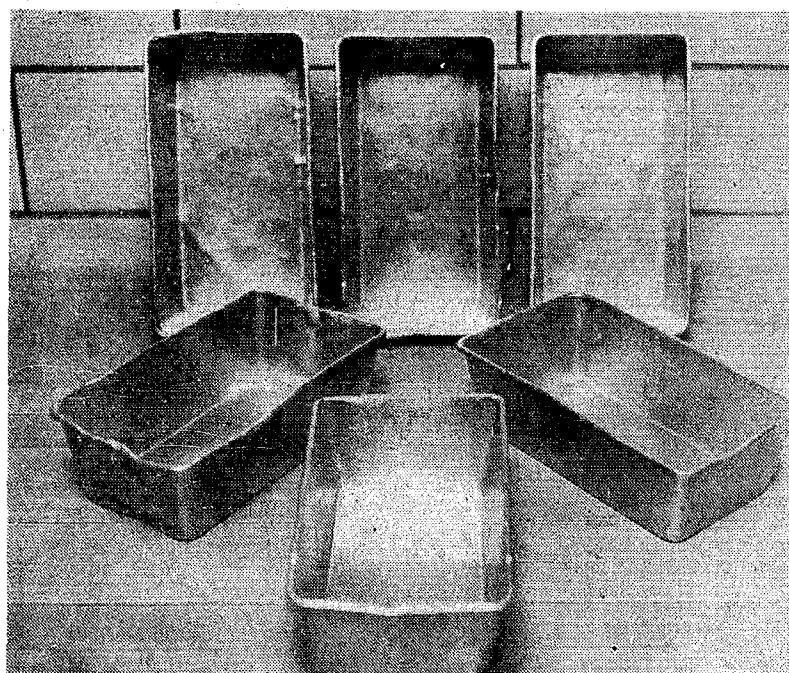
Jewell said he believes use of the divided trays will help the morale of the prisoners. But he needed to get the food to them hot. He said he has already explained the need to the committee now handling financing and he expects no problems. Specifications are being obtained now, he said.

The new sheriff, who served as a deputy on the department for 12 years before unseating Giese in the Republican primary, said he intends to watch prisoner food closely to determine quality and quantity.

According to Jewell he had his first sampling of the food last Saturday. The food was adequate but he acknowledged the food mixed together in the undivided pot.



NEW TRAYS GATHER DUST: Purchased in 1967, these trays, specially made to fit cell doors in the Berrien county jail, have been gathering dust in the basement of the jail. Former Sheriff Henry Giese said he did not use the trays because the county finance committee refused to buy heated carts needed to carry them to the prisoners. New Sheriff Forrest (Nick) Jewell said the trays will be put into use as soon as the carts are acquired. The trays are 7½ by 14½ inches. (Staff photo)



OLD-TYPE PANS: Bread-pan containers for serving food to prisoners in the Berrien county jail are finally on the way out. Specifications for heated carts to carry a new divided trays are being sought. (Staff photo)

Two Men Wounded By Gunshots At BH Party

Two men were shot and wounded, one critically, last night at a house party at 621 East High street, Benton Harbor.

Police reported a witness said a gun was fired in the air outside as two guests arrived. Po-

lice were not informed of this shot but later they were called after gunfire erupted inside the home during an argument.

In critical condition in Mercy hospital today was Otha Harris, 36, of 151 Catalpa avenue, Benton Harbor. In fair condition was his brother, Charles, 22, of 568 Pavone street, Benton Harbor, who was struck in the upper stomach.

Otha Harris underwent emergency surgery after being rushed to the hospital, where he received nine pints of blood. He was struck in the lower stomach region by what police said was a small caliber revolver bullet.

Sought for questioning in the shooting was a man identified by officers as Jerry Jackson, 25, of 211 South Hill avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Cressie Larsen, a librarian in the Benton Harbor public library, reported to Benton Harbor police Friday night that her wallet had been taken from her purse. It contained \$11.

Mrs. Larsen said she had the purse under the front desk and that the wallet could have been taken anytime of the day.

house after two men were shot. Police said the shooting occurred at the home of Aridel Davis.

Detective Neil Teske and Sgt. Alfred Edwards said Mrs. Otha Harris told them she and her husband were enroute to Jackson's home when they saw his car at the East High street residence and stopped. They entered the house on Jackson's invitation.

Mrs. Harris said Jackson was outside the house when they stopped and that a gun was fired then.

IN CHICAGO HOSPITAL

SAWYER — Charles Agnos of Bethany Beach, Sawyer, is a patient at the Edgewater hospital, Foster avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Also Covers Vending Machines

Tough New State Sanitation Law Will Take Effect
By BRANDON BROWN Staff Writer

The Berrien county health board and Berrien supervisors may pass next week on license fees for food establishments and certain vending machines covered by a tough new state sanitation law.

The Berrien health board next Tuesday is expected to hear various methods of setting fees from Earle Olsen, chief environmental officer for the county health department.

The health board may present its recommendations to county supervisors Thursday.

VAGUE LAW OUT

The new law, spelled out in detail through federal Department of Health, Education and Welfare sanitation codes, replaces a more vague state law that did not cover vending machines nor require licensing, Olsen said.

Restaurant sanitation codes until now have been enforced here by city and Michigan Department of Agriculture state food inspection division inspectors, according to Sam Hansen, food inspection division regional supervisor.

Food establishments and vending machines dispensing perishable foods must be licensed by May 1 of this year, relicensed annually and inspected at least twice a year.

License fees probably will be patterned on state minimum fees of \$2 per machine and \$25 per restaurant, cafeteria, grill or other food establishment.

Olsen said his department will be charged with inspecting an estimated 500-plus establishments and probably several hundred vending machines.

He asked vending machine operators in Berrien to send him a postcard to facilitate licensing and inspection.

The law requires vendor operators to apply for and pay for licenses for machines dispensing perishable and bulk foods such as soft drinks and coffee and hot chocolate in cups, sandwiches and milk.

Not covered are dispensers of peanuts, canned and bottled soft drinks, wrapped candy, cigarettes, packaged popcorn and potato chips and other nonspoilable foods.

Licensing and inspection also covers fixed and mobile cafeterias, restaurants, coffee shops, cafes, grills, soda fountains, taverns, night clubs, catering kitchens, commissaries and private organizations serving the public.

Temporary food-handling establishments open to the public, such as fraternal dinners, club picnics and church or social dinners, may have to be licensed depending on directives from them. Michigan Department of Health, Olsen said.

The law declares, however, that law religious and charitable organizations, schools and other educational institutions are exempt from license fees but not other provisions of the law.

MANY THINGS COVERED

The new law covers the design, construction and sanitary maintenance of food-handling and related equipment, temperatures of food preparation, storage and dispensing, lighting, and the health, dress and cleanliness of workers, among others.

Violators may be found guilty of misdemeanors. No food establishment or specified vending machine may be operated without a license after April 30.

The new law does not cover state and county fairs, groceries, slaughterhouses, packing plants, processing plants, soft drink plants, bakeries, brining stations, roadside stands and others under the jurisdiction of the state agriculture department's food inspection division.

Agriculture department inspectors will continue to inspect restaurants probably annually to assure high quality and proper branding of foods, Hansen said. They will discontinue their sanitation inspections.

PLANTS EVACUATED

HOLLAND (AP) — A bomb threat Friday afternoon caused the evacuation of the Beechnut Company plant in Holland but no explosives were found when police and firemen searched.

Employees waited in the snow outside while the search, set off by an anonymous phone call, was conducted. (Staff photo)



WILL LICENSE, INSPECT: Machines vending perishable foods, such as the one examined here by Earle Olsen of Berrien County Health department, as well as restaurants and other food establishments must be licensed after April 30 under new state sanitation law. County health departments will enforce it in many cases. (Staff photo)

Purse Snatcher Drags Woman, 75, In Snow

A 75-year-old Benton Harbor woman was dragged through the snow in front of her home and her purse jerked from her hands about 3:30 p.m. Friday by a lone thief.

Taken into custody by Benton Harbor police within two hours of the assault was Robert Allen, 18, of 388 Vineyard street. He was arrested at his home.

The victim, Mrs. Fred (Lenora) Stock, 75, who lives in a downstairs apartment at 389 Maple street, Benton Harbor, said, "It surprised me so. If I hadn't fallen down I think I could have held onto the purse until my husband could have seen us."

Mrs. Stock's husband was parking their car in the driveway beside the house after returning from shopping. Mrs. Stock had stepped out of the car at the sidewalk and had just

turned up the walkway to the front of my own home."

Police booked Allen on a charge of unarmed robbery. They were to confer today with the Berrien county prosecutor's office about further proceedings.

The arrest followed an investigation by Benton Harbor detectives and uniformed officers.

Crash Near Paw Paw Hurts Four

PAW PAW — A ten-month-old baby was hospitalized and three persons treated and released at Paw Paw Lake View Community hospital yesterday following a three-car crash about 7:30 a.m. east of Paw Paw on Red Arrow highway.

State police said Candy Briggs, 10 months, route 2, Hartford, was admitted to the hospital with a broken leg.

The two Briggs girls were passengers in the Moon car. Not injured, according to police, were two other Briggs children, Doyle, age 4, and Mary, 3. Lee was not injured, said police.

Officers said Ruth Moon was issued a summons for driving left of the center line of the highway.

Troopers said Ruth Moon was the driver of a car which veered across the road and struck a vehicle driven by Small. The Moon car then spun around and collided with another car driven by Philip Lee, 25, Mattawan.

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ON ICE

Three Fined For Clinging To Car

Hanging on to a car while you slide on the ice might be fun — but it's also dangerous and costly, according to St. Joseph police.

Police saw three college students sliding on Lakeview avenue last week and ticketed them "for clinging to a motor vehicle." The female driver of the car was cited for careless driving.

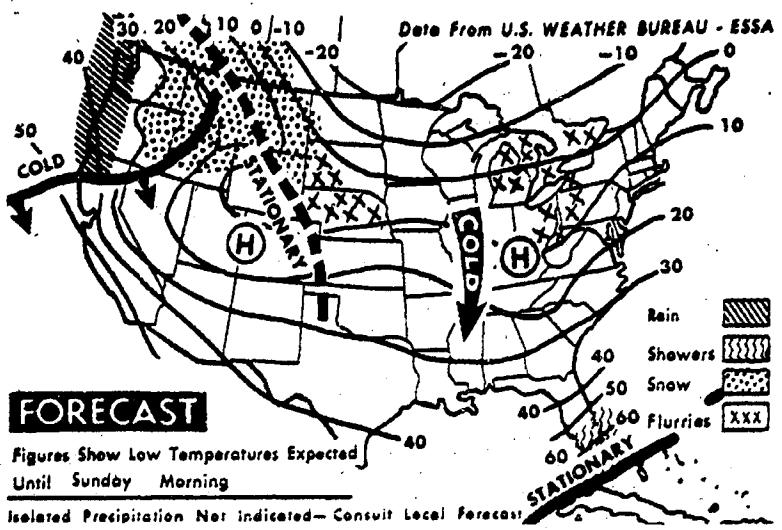
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MONEY BOSS: Mrs. Robert (Phyllis) Johnson of St. Joseph, a 7½-year-old Berrien treasurer's office employee and chief deputy treasurer for the city, was fined \$30 for clinging to a car on Lakeview avenue. (Staff photo)

NEWS OF MARKETS



Today's Weather Map

NEW YORK—Precipitation in Pacific northwest Saturday night will be in form of rain in western sections and snow in eastern portions to Montana. Snow flurries will continue from eastern upper Great Lakes to northern parts of New England. Showers are due in extreme southern Florida. It will be cold from Mississippi River to the Atlantic. (AP Wirephoto)

Loan Firm Aids Area Students

SOUTH HAVEN—Loans for area college students have been provided through Van Buren Savings & Loan Association, it was announced during the annual meeting and election of officers here this week.

President Arthur H. Clarke, Jr., said yesterday the board of directors has agreed to provide student loans, effective immediately, under a federal government program that insures the local lending institution for the loan.

Clarke noted that the program "involves a lot of red tape" but that the board has added it as an additional service to the students in the South Haven, Bangor, Covert and Fennville areas.

SAVINGS GROW

During the annual meeting, it was reported that 1968 growth in savings in Van Buren Savings & Loan was 12.1 per cent, which was about twice that of the national average. "We feel we had a very good year in service to the community," Clarke commented.

During the election of officers, Lewis Chappell was re-elected chairman of the board and Clarke was re-elected company president and secretary.

Richard Appleyard was elected first vice-president; Chester Russell, second vice-president; and Arlene Ditch, treasurer and assistant secretary. Reelected to three-year terms on the board were Robert Alm, Ed Amrein and Dale Brown.

Clarke said the size of the board was reduced from 12 to 11 members with the retirement of Cornelius Bus. He noted that the size of the board will eventually be reduced to nine members as members retire or leave.

Bus was made an honorary member of the board.

Lump-Sum Payment Won't Save Money On This Plan

BY SAM SHULSKY

Q.—I have a \$10-a-month contractual plan with a mutual fund on which I have paid \$640. Would it save any fees if I paid up the balance of \$860 in one lump-sum payment?

A.—On your particular plan entire 12½-year plan. Beginning with the 14th payment your monthly commission dropped to 39 cents, or about four per cent of the amount paid in. The custodial fee remains at 30 cents a month throughout the program, which means that about eight per cent of your overall payments go for sales fees and three per cent more for custodial charges.

If you were to prepay the balance of \$860 you would still be charged 88 sales commissions of 39 cents each and 86 custodial fees of 30 cents each.

It so happens that the year after you started your program, the plan granted a reduction in custodial charges for multiple payments. But that doesn't apply to you.

I'm happy to see that this particular organization no longer sells a \$10-per-month plan. Any plan that has to deduct 3 per cent for custodial fees alone, it seems to me, is pretty rough on the investor.

WORTH KEEPING

Q.—I received warrants to buy a stock at \$55 a share which is now selling at \$49. Why should I execute the warrants?

A.—You shouldn't. But that doesn't mean they're not worth keeping. You've overlooked one important factor: the warrants are exercisable until 1981. In the next dozen years, the stock may climb of well above \$55.

Meanwhile, do nothing—unless you don't like the whole picture and want to sell the warrants at today's market price.

BIRTHS

Benton Harbor—Tina Marie Duncan, 2197 Lawrence; Carlette McFaaland, 525 Niles; Mrs. Frederick Daniels, route 1, Box 272; Phyllis Reed, 124 Concord; Mrs. Percilla Bradley, 234 Burton; Jasper McCann, route 1, Box 336; Willie Williams, 1920 Highland; Ortha Harris, 157 Catalpa; Charles Harris, 568 Pavone; Mrs. Hazel Howard, 717 McGuigan; Mrs. Robert Sykes, 1981 Hatch.

ADMISSIONS

Benton Harbor—Tina Marie Duncan, 2197 Lawrence; Carlette McFaaland, 525 Niles; Mrs. Frederick Daniels, route 1, Box 272; Phyllis Reed, 124 Concord; Mrs. Percilla Bradley, 234 Burton; Jasper McCann, route 1, Box 336; Willie Williams, 1920 Highland; Ortha Harris, 157 Catalpa; Charles Harris, 568 Pavone; Mrs. Hazel Howard, 717 McGuigan; Mrs. Robert Sykes, 1981 Hatch.

LOCAL FORECAST

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Outlook for Monday: Mostly fair and warmer. Winds west to northwest 15 to 22 miles, diminishing to 5 to 10 miles tonight. Precipitation probability 50 per cent today, 20 per cent tonight and 10 per cent Sunday.

Firemen's Group Sees New Film On Fire Safety

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The newest fire safety film will be released in March for general viewing at the fire department instruction conference to be held in Memphis, Tenn.

South Haven Hospital

SOUTH HAVEN—Patients admitted to South Haven Community hospital Friday were:

Henry Gietter, 49, of 1460 North Avrilula Drive, St. Joseph, driver of the other car, was treated and released.

Deputy R.L. Gilson said the Sing car was northbound on Washington and skidded into southbound lane when Sing braked to slow for traffic. The Gietter auto hit the right side of the Sing auto, Gilson said.

Gilson described the road at the time of the accident as "extremely hazardous" because of ice and snow.

THE WIZARD OF ID



U.S. Sues Big Four Car Makers

Claim They Stalled On Anti-Pollution

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Justice Department sued the Big Four automakers Friday, charging they conspired to stifle development of devices to control air pollution by automobiles.

The civil suit was filed in Los Angeles against General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co., Chrysler Corp., American Motors Corp. and the Automobile Manufacturers Association, a trade organization.

It charged that since 1953 they had engaged in unlawful agreements to restrain trade and eliminate competition, in violation of the Sherman Antitrust Act.

CHARGES DENIED

The companies and the association issued statements denying they had restrained trade. Instead, they said, they have cooperated to speed development of antipollution devices.

The Justice Department charged they agreed:

—To eliminate competition among themselves in the development and installation of pollution control equipment.

—To eliminate competition in buying patents and patent rights for such equipment.

—To agree on a date for installing pollution control equipment and install it uniformly.

—To delay the installation of certain equipment which was workable.

—And to restrict publicity about research and development of pollution control devices.

The suit said the defendants could have installed positive crankcase ventilation devices on cars sold outside California in 1962, but agreed not to do it until 1963.

In early 1962 and 1963, it said the four companies agreed to delay the use of an improved positive crankcase ventilation device on cars sold in California.

The suit charged that in early 1964 the companies agreed to tell California pollution authorities a device to control exhaust pollution could not be installed until 1967, when in fact it could have been used on 1966 models.

It said the four finally installed the devices on 1966 models because of pressure from manufacturers outside the auto industry.

Thomas C. Mann, former undersecretary of state who is president of the Automobile Manufacturers Association, said the suit is based on a profound misunderstanding of the cooperative program of the automakers to control pollution.

"We greatly regret the sudden decision of the Department of Justice to attack the industry's 15-year-long cooperative program to develop and perfect motor vehicle emission controls."

The Justice Department listed several other companies which it said were co-conspirators, but not defendants.

These were the Checker Motor Corp. of Kalamazoo, Mich.; Diamond T Motor Car Co. of Cleveland; International Harvester Co. of Chicago; Studebaker Corp. of South Bend, Ind.; Kaiser Jeep Corp. of Oakland, Calif., and Mack Trucks Inc. of New York.

The suit asked that the defendants be ordered not to restrict trade, not to restrict publicity of antipollution activity and to make available patent licenses and production know-how to applicants interested in developing antipollution equipment.

DISCHARGED

Benton Harbor—William Coleman, 398 Linden; Linda Delaney, 1739 Highland; Mrs. Robert Gard, 295 Lormar; Mrs. George Holliday Jr., and boy, 123 Quince; Mrs. Hazel Heddick, 1245 Bishop; Mrs. David Hill and girl, 821 Tower; Mrs. Roy Kienzle, 878 Pavone; Mrs. Edward Lowe, 1020 Union Terrace; Sanders, 839 LaSalle; Rex Shindeldecker, 1452 East Downing Carolyn Whitaker, 381 Vernon; Mrs. Rufus Windle, 579 Edwards.

Chillicothe, Ill.—Mrs. Mary Woods, 823 Sycamore.

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St. Joseph—Paul Martin, 1014½ Church.

BIRTH

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Watervliet Hospital

ADMISSIONS

Watervliet—A patient admitted to Watervliet Community hospital during the past 24 hours were:

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Legals

MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION HELD IN THE COMMISSION CHAMBER AT THE CITY HALL, ST. JOSEPH, MICHIGAN AT 7:30 O'CLOCK P.M., MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1968.

PRESENT: MAYOR PRO-TEM TOBIAS.

COMMISSIONERS PLASSMAN, RILL AND SMITH.

L. L. HILL, CITY MANAGER

A. G. PRESTON, JR., CITY ATTORNEY.

CHARLES J. RHODES, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE.

ABSENT: COMMISSIONER EHRENBERG.

Minutes of the meeting held December 9, 1968, were read and approved.

Report of vouchers to be allowed December 16, 1968, were submitted as follows:

Bills are as follows:

Insurance & Pension \$1,555.82

Clerk 10.90

Elections 24.70

Manager 2.07

Director of Finance 63.00

Assessor 55.12

Engineer 1.12

Municipal Court 144.15

Fire Department 1.15

Police Department 63.76

Traffic 198.25

Cemetery 1.254.89

Municipal Building 15.10

Streets 6,859.66

Curb & Gutter on Lakeview 9.14

Paving-LeRoy Ave. 27.41

Water 173.45

Filtration Plant 89.49

Housing Code Enforcement 3.50

Advertising 54.62

Garbage & Rubbish 1,077.13

Health Officer 10.85

Parks 131.87

Forestry Dept. 53.00

Gen. Vo. No. 8419 8450

incl. \$11,880.15

Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Rill, moved approval of the foregoing report and that the Director of Finance be authorized to issue vouchers in payment of the several amounts.

Roll call resulted as follows:

Yea: Commissioners P. L. A. s sman, Rill, Smith and Tobias.

Nay: None. Absent: Commissioner Ehrenberg. Motion declared carried.

The Clerk reported that the Monthly Reports for November, including the Financial, Municipal Court, Police, Fire, Sanitary Inspection, Public Works, and Water Filtration Plant, have been presented to the Commission. Mr. Plassman, seconded by Mr. Smith, moved to accept the reports as presented. Roll call resulted as follows: Yea: Commissioners Plassman, Rill, Smith and Tobias. Nay: None. Absent: Commissioner Ehrenberg. Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING ASSESSMENT ROLL: SANITARY SEWER ON RED ARROW HIGHWAY FROM EXISTING SANITARY SEWER SOUTH 1200 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO HILLTOP ROAD.

WHEREAS the City Clerk caused notice to be published in the St. Joseph Herald Press on November 29, 1968, stating that the City Commission and the City Assessor would meet and be in session at the City Hall in St. Joseph, Michigan, on Monday, December 16, 1968, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of reviewing the special assessment roll heretofore authorized for defraying that portion of the cost which the City Commission determined should be paid by special assessment for the Red Arrow Highway from existing sanitary sewer South 1200 feet, more or less, to Hilltop Road, in the City of St. Joseph, and

WHEREAS the City Commission and the City Assessor are now in session at said time and place and said special assessment roll has been presented and objections thereto have been called for and no objections have been presented and no objections thereto have been filed with the City Clerk, and the Commission having reviewed, examined and considered said assessment roll,

TH EREFORE RESOLVED that the special assessment district proposed, determined and created by resolutions adopted November 4, 1968, and November 25, 1968, hereby is ratified and confirmed as such special assessment district.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the amount of said roll be divided into and paid in ten equal installments with interest thereon at the rate of six percent per annum, payable annually from and after April 1, 1969, and that the first of said installments be payable July 1, 1969, and the remaining nine installments be payable on July 1 of the years 1970 to 1978, inclusive, together with accrued interest thereon.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the City Assessor is instructed to prepare a special assessment roll thereof in accordance with this resolution and to certify the same as required by the City Charter, and to file the same in the office of the City Clerk.

RESOLVED FURTHER that upon the filing of said special assessment roll, the City Clerk shall give notice as required by the City Charter that said roll is on file in his office for inspection, and that the Commission and the Assessor will be in session at the City Hall in the City of St. Joseph for the purpose of reviewing the special assessment roll and hearing objections thereto at a date and hour to be in said notice named, which shall be not less than ten days after the date of publication of said notice; notice shall also be given to each owner or party in interest in the property to be assessed whose name appears upon the last local tax assessment records, by first class mail addressed to such owner or party at the address shown on the tax records.

Mr. Rill, seconded by Mr. Plassman, moved approval of the foregoing resolution. Roll call resulted as follows: Yea: Commissioners Plassman, Rill, Smith and Tobias. Nay: None. Absent: Commissioner Ehrenberg. Motion declared carried and resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION POSTPONING ACTION 310 COURT STREET

WHEREAS, on November 15, 1968, the City Manager made a determination that the house and premises known as 310 Court Street, St. Joseph, Michigan, to be dangerous to life, limb or property, has deteriorated to the point where it has become a public nuisance, and it is beyond repair, should be torn down and completely removed, and

W H E REAS by resolution adopted November 18, 1968, the City Commission acknowledged receipt of the Determination by the City Manager, accepted the findings therein contained, and set Monday, December 16, 1968, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. in the Commission Chamber in the City Hall as the date, time and place on which the owners may appear before the City Commission and may be heard respecting the condition of said building, and

RESOLVED FURTHER that the special assessment district to be assessed for the cost of such public improvement is all of the lots and parcels of land fronting and abutting upon the proposed improvement.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the plans, plats, diagrams, specifications and estimates of the cost of such public improvement are prepared by the City Manager and the Department of Public Works and Service, are hereby confirmed and approved in all particulars.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the City Assessor be and hereby is directed to prepare a special assessment roll thereof in accordance with this resolution and to certify the same as required by the City Charter, and to file the same in the office of the City Clerk.

RESOLVED FURTHER that upon the filing of said special assessment roll, the City Clerk shall give notice as required by the City Charter that said roll is on file in his office for inspection, and that the Commission and the Assessor will be in session at the City Hall in the City of St. Joseph for the purpose of reviewing the special assessment roll and hearing objections thereto at a date and hour to be in said notice named, which shall be not less than ten days after the date of publication of said notice; notice shall also be given to each owner or party in interest in the property to be assessed whose name appears upon the last local tax assessment records, by first class mail addressed to such owner or party at the address shown on the tax records.

Mr. Rill, seconded by Mr. Plassman, moved approval of the foregoing resolution. Roll call resulted as follows: Yea: Commissioners Plassman, Rill, Smith and Tobias. Nay: None. Absent: Commissioner Ehrenberg. Motion declared carried and resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION POSTPONING ACTION 1117 NILES AVENUE

WHEREAS, on November 15, 1968, the City Manager of the City of St. Joseph, determined the residence building located at 1117 Niles Avenue, St. Joseph, Michigan, to be dangerous to life, limb or property, has deteriorated to the point where it has become a public nuisance, and it is beyond repair, should be torn down and completely removed, and

W H E REAS by resolution adopted November 18, 1968, the City Commission acknowledged receipt of the Determination by the City Manager, accepted the findings therein contained, and set Monday, December 16, 1968, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. in the Commission Chamber in the City Hall as the date, time and place on which the owners may appear before the City Commission and may be heard respecting the condition of the building or structure.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the City Clerk shall notify the owner of such building or structure of his determination and of the date on which the owner may appear before the City Commission and may be heard respecting the condition of the building or structure.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the City Assessor be and hereby is directed to prepare a special assessment roll thereof in accordance with this resolution and to certify the same as required by the City Charter, and to file the same in the office of the City Clerk.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the City Assessor is instructed to prepare a special assessment roll for each installment as the same shall become due, with accrued interest on all unpaid installments included and assessed thereon, the right being reserved on behalf of any interested person to pay the whole assessment in full at any time after confirmation with accrued interest.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the sum of \$3953.73 being the city's share of the cost of said public improvement be paid from the general sewer fund.

Mr. Rill, seconded by Mr. Smith, moved approval of the foregoing resolution. Roll call resulted as follows: Yea: Commissioners Plassman, Rill, Smith and Tobias. Nay: None.

Absent: Commissioner Ehrenberg. Motion declared carried and resolution adopted.

SECOND RESOLUTION: TO PAVE GARD AVENUE FROM NILES AVENUE TO SOUTH STATE STREET

WHEREAS notice of the action of the City Manager and of the City Commission and of the time and place of said hearing was given to the owner of said property on November 19, 1968, and

WHEREAS Richard Ludwig, representing Fidelity Mortgage Company, owner of the premises, appeared before the Commission and stated that he would apply for a building permit within one week and would correct all difficulties in the premises and bring them up to standards of the uniform codes as soon as possible, and

WHEREAS the City Clerk for the same with the City Clerk for public examination as directed by resolution of the City Commission, and

WHEREAS the City Manager and the Department of Public Works and Service have prepared plans, plats, diagrams, and specifications for and estimates of the costs of said public improvement, and have filed the same with the City Clerk for public examination as directed by resolution of the City Commission, and

WHEREAS the City Clerk has given notice thereof and of the district proposed to be assessed for the costs of such public improvement and has given notice that the Commission would be in session at the City Hall at 7:30 o'clock P.M. on Monday, December 16, 1968, for the purpose of considering the same and hearing objections thereto, a copy of which notice was published in the St. Joseph Herald Press on November 30, 1968, and

WHEREAS the City Commission is fully advised in the premises

TH EREFORE RESOLVED that the City Commission hereby postpones further action concerning the residence building at 1117 Niles Avenue until Monday, January 13, 1969.

Mr. Tobias, seconded by Mr. Rill, moved to approve the foregoing resolution. Roll call resulted as follows: Yea: Commissioners Plassman, Rill, Smith and Tobias. Nay: None. Absent: Commissioner Ehrenberg. Motion declared carried and resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION POSTPONING ACTION 900 MARKET STREET

WHEREAS on November 15, 1968, the City Manager made a determination that the house and premises known as 900 Market Street, St. Joseph, Michigan, to be dangerous to life, limb or property, has deteriorated to the point where it has become a public nuisance, and it is beyond repair, should be torn down and completely removed, and

W H E REAS by resolution adopted November 18, 1968, the City Commission acknowledged receipt of the Determination by the City Manager, accepted the findings therein contained, and set Monday, December 16, 1968, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. in the Commission Chamber in the City Hall as the date, time and place on which the owners may appear before the City Commission and may be heard respecting the condition of said building, and

WHEREAS notice of the action of the City Manager and of the time and place of said hearing was given to the owner of said property on November 19, 1968, and

WHEREAS the City Clerk for the same with the City Clerk for public examination as directed by resolution of the City Commission, and

WHEREAS the City Manager and the Department of Public Works and Service have prepared plans, plats, diagrams, and specifications for and estimates of the costs of said public improvement, and have filed the same with the City Clerk for public examination as directed by resolution of the City Commission, and

WHEREAS the City Clerk has given notice thereof and of the district proposed to be assessed for the costs of such public improvement and has given notice that the Commission would be in session at the City Hall at 7:30 o'clock P.M. on Monday, December 16, 1968, for the purpose of considering the same and hearing objections thereto, a copy of which notice was published in the St. Joseph Herald Press on November 30, 1968, and

WHEREAS the City Commission is fully advised in the premises

TH EREFORE RESOLVED that the City Commission hereby postpones further action concerning the residence building at 900 Market Street until Monday, January 13, 1969.

Mr. Tobias, seconded by Mr. Rill, moved to approve the foregoing resolution. Roll call resulted as follows: Yea: Commissioners Plassman, Rill, Smith and Tobias. Nay: None. Absent: Commissioner Ehrenberg. Motion declared carried and resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION POSTPONING ACTION 310 COURT STREET

WHEREAS on November 15, 1968, the City Manager made a determination that the house and premises known as 310 Court Street, St. Joseph, Michigan, to be dangerous to life, limb or property, has deteriorated to the point where it has become a public nuisance, and it is beyond repair, should be torn down and completely removed, and

W H E REAS by resolution adopted November 18, 1968, the City Commission acknowledged receipt of the Determination by the City Manager, accepted the findings therein contained, and set Monday, December 16, 1968, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. in the Commission Chamber in the City Hall as the date, time and place on which the owners may appear before the City Commission and may be heard respecting the condition of said building, and

RESOLVED FURTHER that the special assessment district to be assessed for the cost of such public improvement is all of the lots and parcels of land fronting and abutting upon the proposed improvement.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the plans, plats, diagrams, specifications and estimates of the cost of such public improvement are prepared by the City Manager and the Department of Public Works and Service, are hereby confirmed and approved in all particulars.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the City Assessor be and hereby is directed to prepare a special assessment roll thereof in accordance with this resolution and to certify the same as required by the City Charter, and to file the same in the office of the City Clerk.

RESOLVED FURTHER that upon the filing of said special assessment roll, the City Clerk shall give notice as required by the City Charter that said roll is on file in his office for inspection, and that the Commission and the Assessor will be in session at the City Hall in the City of St. Joseph for the purpose of reviewing the special assessment roll and hearing objections thereto at a date and hour to be in said notice named, which shall be not less than ten days after the date of publication of said notice; notice shall also be given to each owner or party in interest in the property to be assessed whose name appears upon the last local tax assessment records, by first class mail addressed to such owner or party at the address shown on the tax records.

Mr. Rill, seconded by Mr. Plassman, moved approval of the foregoing resolution. Roll call resulted as follows: Yea: Commissioners Plassman, Rill, Smith and Tobias. Nay: None. Absent: Commissioner Ehrenberg. Motion declared carried and resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION POSTPONING ACTION 1117 NILES AVENUE

WHEREAS, on November 15, 1968, the City Manager of the City of St. Joseph, determined the residence building located at 1117 Niles Avenue, St. Joseph, Michigan, to be dangerous to life, limb or property, has deteriorated to the point where it has become a public nuisance, and it is beyond repair, should be torn down and completely removed, and

W H E REAS by resolution adopted November 18, 1968, the City Commission acknowledged receipt of the Determination by the City Manager, accepted the findings therein contained, and set Monday, December 16, 1968, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. in the Commission Chamber in the City Hall as the date, time and place on which the owners may appear before the City Commission and may be heard respecting the condition of the building or structure.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the City Clerk shall notify the owner of such building or structure of his determination and of the date on which the owner may appear before the City Commission and may be heard respecting the condition of the building or structure.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the City Assessor be and hereby is directed to prepare a special assessment roll thereof in accordance with this resolution and to certify the same as required by the City Charter, and to file the same in the office of the City Clerk.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the City Assessor is instructed to prepare a special assessment roll for each installment as the same shall become due, with accrued interest on all unpaid installments included and assessed thereon, the right being reserved on behalf of any interested person to pay the whole assessment in full at any time after confirmation with accrued interest.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the sum of \$3953.73 being the city's share of the cost of said public improvement be paid from the general sewer fund.

Mr. Rill, seconded by Mr. Smith, moved approval of the foregoing resolution. Roll call resulted as follows: Yea: Commissioners Plassman, Rill, Smith and Tobias. Nay: None.

TH EREFORE RESOLVED that the City Clerk shall notify the owners of said building or structure of the action of this Commission postponing further consideration of the City Manager's Determination until